



DELAWARE THOROUGHBRED RACING COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE STEWARDS

Daily Log
Stewards Report
Pre-Racing Season
Delaware Park
Monday, May 21, 2018 to Monday, May 28, 2018

Out of Competition test results from Truesdail Laboratories, Inc. revealed the following:
All samples from May 10, 2018 and May 11, 2018 were cleared.

Monday, May 21, 2018 – Racing Commission license applications were reviewed and approved. Associate State Steward, Cynthia Smith arrived at our office and completed all necessary requirements needed to start her position. Associate State Steward Fritz Burkhardt introduced Ms. Smith to the racing department personnel. Outrider, Lance Parrott reported a loose horse that ran out the stable gate and on to Delaware Park Boulevard. We have suggested that the Outriders notify Stable Gate Security by radio, to close the gate whenever a loose horse runs off the racetrack. The Outriders also voiced their concerns regarding Trainer Gary Katz's ability to safely exercise his horses. A determination will be made following a hearing with the Board of Stewards on Wednesday May, 23, 2018. Owner/Trainer transfers were submitted to the Stewards and approved. Exercise Rider Leonel Garcia, who was on a conditional license in 2016, was approved for a 2018 license after being interviewed by the Stewards. Julie Hagihara from Truesdail Labs was contacted in regards to a complete lab packet needed for a hearing on June 8, 2018.

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 – Racing Commission license applications were reviewed and approved. We reviewed and filed veterinarian treatment sheets. Steward Burkhardt observed horses training from the front side. Chester Pennsylvania Harness Judge Jennifer LaFontaine contacted the Stewards and was given permission to shadow the Stewards on Monday afternoons. We reviewed the policies concerning race day scratches with Cynthia Smith. Trainer Gary Katz met with the Stewards and Outrider Lance Parrott. On the advice of Mr. Parrott, Mr. Katz will be denied the privilege of exercising the horse Asset Allocation. Owner Justin Sherman spoke with Steward Lages concerning his 2018 Trainer's application approval. It was determined that he had passed a written trainers examination at Mahoning Valley and his Trainer's license will be approved. The Radiometer representative scheduled to train DTRC employees on Tuesday May 22, 2018, was unable to complete training on the ABL800 due to expired supplies. Investigator Appleby contacted Brenda Tarburton from Department of Agriculture approval and ordered the supplies. Chief Steward Lages received approval from Secretary of Agriculture Michael Scuse to authorize the hiring of an additional employee for the licensing staff.



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Thursday, May 24, 2018 – Racing Commission license applications were reviewed and approved. Stewards Burkhardt and Lages pre-race meeting with the Racing Secretary's office staff. Safety Steward Colton created a new spreadsheet for the Stewards to keep track of veterinarian scratches on race day. The Stewards contacted groom Nathan Harvey, who recently purchased some race horses, to inform him that he must submit an owner's application for participation at Delaware Park. Lasix barn supervisor Beverly Fowler introduced her new assistant, Jeri Vieira, to the Stewards. Owner David Syzmanski inquired about obtaining open-claiming authorization. We called Kentucky Chief State Steward Barbara Borden for information on an applicant that has a 2017 suspension on the ARCI database. Chief Commission Veterinarian Dr. Susan Botts submitted a blood drawn report to the Stewards for a horse that needed to work off the veterinarians list. Stewards Lages and Colton were educated in operating and maintaining a blood gas analyzer by a Radiometer technician.

Friday, May 25, 2018 – We reviewed and filed veterinarian treatment sheets. Racing Commission license applications were reviewed and approved. Stewards Burkhardt and Smith went to the racing office, starting gate, and veterinarian's office. The Stewards radioed Delaware Park security to alert the stable gate when a loose horse was reported in the vicinity of the track kitchen. We confirmed that all the horses previously trained by suspended trainer Gina Perri are under the care of other trainers. Investigator Sarah Crane discussed the personnel who had applied for staffing the license office. We provided Truesdail Laboratories with information that they needed on a workout sample analyzed in April. Jockey agents Tom Stift, Kevin Witte, and Irwin Steinberg visited with the Stewards. Steward Smith observed the draw for opening day entries. Steward Lages requested administrative assistant Molly Church to order a gas canister for the blood gas analyzer to replace a defective one.

Saturday, May 26, 2018 – All of the Stewards attended the Trainer's open house meeting at the Delaware Thoroughbred Horsemen's building. Stewards Lages and Colton setup the Steward's laptop computer in the Steward's stand. We advised a groom that is owed a paycheck to speak to the trainer about the money owed, and to follow up with our investigators on Monday if he hadn't been paid. Stewards Burkhardt and Smith observed the Jockey check-on process overseen by the clerk of scales. Having waived his right to a hearing, groom Thomas Frazer was accessed a fine of one hundred dollars for falsification of his 2016 and 2018 license applications. A licensee that was in the stable area without being on a badge list was brought to our office by security supervisor Dan Panaro. The licensee's badge was confiscated until such time that he is employed again. Trainer Sylvio Martin stopped by the Steward's office to introduce himself.

Monday, May 28, 2018 – Racing Commission license applications were reviewed and approved. We reviewed and filed veterinarian treatment sheets. The Stewards advised staff in the racing office that an ownership change may not be made after a race is drawn. We instructed a prospective owner who inquired about claiming rules. Assistant trainer Hector Castellanos spoke to us of his experience training horses in the Middle East and Safety Steward Colton put



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him on the schedule for a Trainer's test. We proofed the entries for Wednesday's and Thursday's races. Steward Burkhardt spoke to several trainers during training hours that told him they are pleased with the condition of the racetrack. We met apprentice Jockey Ezequiel Lara and educated him on the safety rules at Delaware Park. The Stewards scheduled a hearing for Troy Robb, at his request, to establish his eligibility for licensing following a five year suspension. Stewards Colton and Lages shared what they had learned about operating the blood gas analyzer with Steward Smith, and the new blood gas technician, Heather Gregorek.

Stewards
James Lages
Fritz Burkhardt
Cynthia Smith